

TRIBUTE TO RETIRING BARTON
COUNTY OFFICIALS

HON. IKE SKELTON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. SKELTON. Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that a number of officials from Barton County, Missouri, are retiring this year after serving the public for a number of years.

I have had the privilege of representing Barton County in the United States Congress on two occasions. Barton County lies in the southwestern part of the Fourth Congressional District. Its county seat of Lamar is the birthplace of President Harry S. Truman, and the people who live there today personify the same common sense, hard working, Show-Me State values that made President Truman an outstanding president and global leader. I am honored to represent these fine Missourians in the United States Congress and to have had the privilege to work with many of these outstanding public officials.

Presiding Commissioner Gerald Miller was born in Idaho but moved to Missouri as a child. He graduated from Lamar High School in 1958 and has been active in the community since that time. Since 1999, Mr. Miller has served as Presiding Commissioner and has worked tirelessly to improve the communities he represents. He is a member of the Lamar Metro Club, the Abou Ben Adhem Shrine, and the Lamar Masonic Lodge. He is a successful businessman who is married to Brenda Rinehart—and has two sons, Mark and Matt.

County Clerk Bonda Rawlings is a lifelong resident of Barton County. She graduated from Lamar High School in 1971 and has dedicated much of her life to bettering her community. Since 1983, she has served as the Barton County Clerk and has been a leader in the State Association of County Clerks, serving as president in 1996. While working full time, she is also a member of the Barton County Chamber of Commerce, the Lamar Art League, the Barton County Historical Society, the Truman Area Transportation System, and the Lamar High School Booster Club. In all of these organizations, Mrs. Rawlings has held a leadership position. Bonda is married to Bill Rawlings and has two sons, Stan and Steve.

Circuit Clerk Jerry Moyer has spent his adult life serving the City of Lamar and is a graduate of Golden City High School. In 1976, he graduated from the College of the Ozarks with a degree in criminal justice administration. Mr. Moyer has served as the Clerk of the Circuit Court in Barton County since 1983 and has been a leader among his colleagues, serving as president of the Circuit Clerk and Recorders Association in 1994. Mr. Moyer previously served as Deputy Sheriff, a police officer, and a Deputy Juvenile Officer. He is active in the First Assembly of God Church, the Lamar Rotary Club, and the Freedom Singers gospel choir. Jerry Moyer is married to Jena Moyer and has a daughter named Tiffany.

Recorder of Deeds Jean Keithly has lived in Barton County all her life and is a graduate of Lamar High School. From 1984 to 2003, she served as the Deputy Recorder of Deeds in Barton County. In 2003, she became the first elected Recorder of Deeds in Barton County since 1935, when the office had been combined with the Circuit Clerk's office. Mrs.

Keithly has been an active member of the Recorder's Association of Missouri for 22 years. She is a long-time member of the Hopewell Cumberland Presbyterian Church and has been an outstanding charitable volunteer. Mrs. Keithly is married to Bob Keithly and has two children, Michael and Teresa.

Deputy Assessor Dna Mullinax has lived in Golden City, Missouri, for the past 41 years and has worked at the Barton County Courthouse since 1983. Throughout her tenure, she has capably worked through many changes within her office and was especially instrumental in assigning emergency 911 addresses to rural Barton County homes. In 1998, Mrs. Mullinax received the "Employee of the Year" award, which was presented by the Lamar Rotary Club. She and her husband, Rusty, have a shared family of seven children and ten grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, these five individuals represent the outstanding Missourians who live and work within Missouri's Fourth Congressional District. As they each prepare to spend time with their families and enjoy retirement, I know that my colleagues will join me in wishing them well.

IN HONOR OF THE SALINAS
WOMEN'S CLUB

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the achievements of the Salinas Women's Club, which recently commemorated its 100th year of existence. In the century that it has been around, the Salinas Women's Club has contributed greatly to the progress that the city of Salinas has enjoyed through its amazing fundraising abilities and true compassion for the welfare of this city. This organization has helped in several ways, from funding important and needed amenities to awarding scholarships to young people to cleaning up the streets.

The club was founded on August 25, 1906 by a group of active Salinas ladies whose main areas of focus were civic affairs, current events, and public health. The club immediately focused on an overall community need, a library. After circulating a petition for the library, the club pushed the City Council to support and approve the funding for the project. The ladies of the club raised the funds from a variety of events. They held dances, plays, and talent shows, and they sold flower arrangements. By 1915 they had raised the funds and also acquired a grant to build the library.

Because of the success of its first project, the Salinas Women's Club thrived. The club continued to develop community projects such as tennis courts and playgrounds. And in 1923, it funded its own building to be the site for meetings and to be an open environment for all those who wish to express their views about the community in which they live.

The Salinas Women's Club has done so much for the city of Salinas in its one hundred years that the city is indebted forever. This club began the Exchange Student program, which helped to further the cultural aspect of the town. It helped in the founding of Meals on Wheels, and fundraised for the National

Steinbeck Center. It promotes music and the arts, and always is willing to help those in need. They entertained soldiers at luncheons and fought against the pollution of the city.

Mr. Speaker, the Salinas Women's Club has contributed so much to the city of Salinas and the surrounding community; I have only scratched the surface of its beneficial and compassionate dedication. I commend the Salinas Women's Club for all that it has done in its one hundred years, and I hope that it will continue for another hundred years with the same service, attitude, and contribution to the community.

HONORING LOWELL STANBERRY

HON. MICHAEL BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lowell Stanberry, a dear friend who passed away this past weekend.

Lowell Stanberry was a straightforward man who always stood up and fought for his deeply held convictions. He was a Republican long before it was popular—or politically advantageous—to be a member of the GOP in my state of Florida. Lowell was instrumental in building support for my first candidacy for Congress by hosting barbecues at his ranch.

Lowell summed up his unwavering dedication to political activism and conservative principles by saying that "I think politics is kind of like religion. If you were born Baptist, I guess you die Baptist. If you were born a Republican, I think you die a Republican."

But Lowell was much more than a political activist. He was a dedicated member of his Dade City, Florida, community. He was a local volunteer and civic leader. He was a philanthropist and humanitarian. He was a friend and mentor to many. And he was a dedicated husband to his beloved wife, Evelyn, who passed on earlier this year.

Mr. Speaker, Lowell Stanberry was a courageous man whose convictions guided him throughout his life. I can think of no better way to honor him than by remaining true to ourselves and fighting for the goals and ideals in which we so strongly believe. I urge our colleagues to do that today and every day that we have the honor of serving as members of the greatest deliberative body in world history.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WALTER
LLOYD BELL

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Walter Lloyd Bell, one of the founding fathers of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. Known to his family and friends as Lloyd, he passed away on Saturday, July 15, 2006, at the age of 80.

After serving his country in the Navy during World War II, Lloyd returned to Las Vegas and began his career in law enforcement at the Clark County Sheriff's Office. In 1955, at the age of 29, Lloyd became the youngest person

to become County Undersheriff. Three years later, he graduated from the FBI Academy, the first member of the department to do so.

Lloyd served on the Nevada Gaming Control Board from 1961 until 1963, when he rejoined the law enforcement community. In 1968, he served on the committee that created the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department by uniting the Las Vegas Police Department and the Clark County Sheriff's Office.

Lloyd retired from the Sheriff's Office in 1973 and moved on to the private sector, owning thirteen shoe stores and a beauty salon. The ambition and dedication that allowed Lloyd to make such a positive impact on the law enforcement community in Las Vegas made him a successful business owner, as well.

Lloyd was a devoted husband and a proud father who enjoyed spending time with his family. He and his wife Pamela raised two daughters, Ashley Bell and Courtney Bell Vincent.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Lloyd Bell for his accomplishments and his law enforcement service. I thank him for his participation in the ambitious task of creating the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and I applaud his long record of distinguished service. He has truly had a great impact on the safety and well-being of the Las Vegas community, and he will be greatly missed.

**PATTON'S FOOT SOLDIER—
J. GIVENS YOUNG**

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to Givens Young upon the publication of Patton's Foot Soldier—The True War Story of J. Givens Young.

With a moving forward by his dear friend, the late U.S. Senator Strom Thurmond (R-SC), this is the story of a patriotic young man who at the age of 16 left his Pee Dee home to enter Clemson University and its reserve officers' training school.

The book is a moving tribute to all veterans who faced the horror of World War II in Europe. For his service in France, Luxembourg, Germany, and Austria, even into Czechoslovakia, First Lt. James Givens Young was awarded the Silver Star for his courage. Americans are grateful for General George S. Patton, Jr.'s, Third Army, which fought valiantly to liberate Europe from Nazism.

The daily story of First Lieutenant Jim Young (as he was called during the war) is a chilling reminder of the sacrifices that embody the truth that Freedom is Not Free.

After the war, he returned home to Florence, South Carolina, where he and his late wife of 57 years, Florence Hunter Young, had made their home. They had three daughters, Marian Young Howard, Beth Young Gilbert, and Mary Miles Young Swink.

He successfully made Young Pecan Company the second largest pecan-shelling corporation in the United States.

**PAYING TRIBUTE TO DEBORAH
MARY LINDEMENN**

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Deborah Mary Lindemann for her years of service as an Employment Specialist for the State of Nevada.

Deborah is retiring from her post as a Supervisor of the Employment Security Division staff located in the North Las Vegas JobConnect office. As the Division Supervisor, Deborah was responsible for the scheduling of staff duties and ensuring staff availability to provide required services. Deborah also managed the Career Enhancement Program Assistance Funds and wrote the evaluations for all the staff in the Employment Security Division. In her capacity as Supervisor, Deborah had to have an in-depth knowledge of intrastate, interstate, federal and military unemployment programs. Deborah also possesses exemplary communications skills which aided her in directing the activities of personnel in accordance with organizational policies.

In addition to her professional success, Deborah has completed a number of supplemental training programs that enhanced her over-all productivity in the workplace. Deborah completed; Total Quality Leadership Training, in April 1996; Facilitator Training, in July 1997; Employee Appraisal Training, in March 1998; as well as the Women in Leadership Forum in April 2000.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Deborah Mary Lindemann. Her years of service to the State of Nevada are admirable and I wish her the best in her retirement.

HONORING COL. ROBERT TOVADO

HON. LEE TERRY

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. TERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of Colonel Robert R. Tovado, the Commander of University of Nebraska Lincoln Air Force ROTC Detachment 465, who is retiring after three decades of service in the United States Air Force.

Colonel Tovado entered the Air Force in 1976 through AFROTC at the University of Northern Colorado. Since that time, he has served American in almost every major operation U.S. forces have been engaged in around the world. During his career, the Colonel has served in Operations Just Cause, Restore Hope, Sea Signal, Desert Strike, Desert Focus, Joint Guard, and Southern Watch.

Prior to his time in Nebraska, Colonel Tovado worked for General Tommy Franks as the Director of Manpower and Personnel at United States Central Command and he served as the Coalition/Joint Director of Manpower and Personnel deployed to Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

Since his arrival at the University of Nebraska, Colonel Tovado has taken his valuable military experience and applied it to his teaching and building of America's next generation of great leaders. During his tenure in

Lincoln, the Colonel has led his staff and students in providing over 4,000 volunteer hours in support of a plethora of community service organizations for the betterment of Nebraska and her citizens.

Furthermore, he has helped countless students pursue their academic dreams by his efforts in bringing over two million dollars in scholarship money to the University of Nebraska. Under his command, UNL Air Force ROTC Detachment 465 was named the Right of Line Award winner for 2005 for the best Air Force ROTC Detachment in the nation. Furthermore, in 2005 Detachment 465 was also home to the Number One cadet in the nation. This marks the first time an Air Force ROTC detachment has received both awards during the same year and is a reflection of the work and leadership of Colonel Tovado.

Over the last three years of Colonel Tovado's tenure, 77 new lieutenants, including one of my former congressional staff members, have been commissioned into the United States Air Force. As I have been informed, the Colonel inspired and taught all of these great young men and women what it meant to be the best in the nation. These 77 young officers are now serving all across our globe defending America for future generations. This is perhaps the greatest legacy of Colonel Robert R. Tovado.

In closing, I join all Americans in wishing Colonel Tovado, his wife Wendy, and his family, heartfelt thanks on behalf of a grateful nation for his dedication and service to freedom.

**TRIBUTE TO COMMAND SERGEANT
MAJOR TERESA V. KING UPON
HER RETIREMENT FROM THE
UNITED STATES ARMY**

HON. KENDRICK B. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 26, 2006

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Command Sergeant Major Teresa V. King on her retirement from the U.S. Army after a distinguished record of military service that spanned over 32 years. I know that I speak for all of my colleagues in thanking her for her service.

Command Sergeant Major Teresa V. King is a native of my home state, Florida. She entered the Army in August 1974 as a clerk typist and completed 3 years of active duty before leaving the Army in 1977. After a brief departure, she returned to active duty as a Motor Transport Operator in 1978. She has been assigned to Fort Eustis, Virginia; Fort Riley, Kansas; Fort Dix, New Jersey as a Drill Sergeant in Charlie, Delta and Alpha Companies, 2nd Battalion, 5th Training Brigade; Wiesbaden, Germany; and Baumholder, Germany as a PLDC Instructor.

After her tour in the Federal Republic of Germany, she was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas, with the 15th Supply and Transport Battalion, now the 27th Main Support Battalion, as a squad leader. In 1986 she volunteered for Drill Sergeant duty at the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School at Fort Knox, Kentucky, as a Drill Sergeant Leader. In 1991, she was reassigned to the Republic of Korea as a Transportation Coordinator with the 227th Maintenance Battalion, Yongson, Korea. Upon